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Proposed Escalante River Inspection Trek

By Dr. Jesse D. Jennings
Department of Anthropology,
University of Utah

Our purpose is to outline a tour of the Escalante River in order that selected members and guests of the National Society *Sons of the Utah Pioneers* may personally inspect a portion of the Utah State Park which has been proposed by the *Escalante Chapter* of the *Sons of the Utah Pioneers*. The local Chapter has proposed the reserving of a rather large area adjacent to the Escalante River to be called "Hole-in-the-Rock State Park"; the area would include the famous pioneer landmark "Hole-in-the-Rock" which is on the Colorado River about four miles downstream from the mouth of the Escalante River.



Steven's Arch from the north. Picture taken from floor of Escalante Canyon.

It is well known that the entire Escalante desert which lies between Kaiparowits Plateau and the Escalante River is one of the more beautiful, primitive and remote spots remaining in western North America. It is characterized by vast sand dunes, wide stretches of slick rock and tortuous meandering streams deeply engraved into the soft, brightly colored sandstones. The area is difficult, wild, and very impressive. Its designation as a state park, for retention as a wilderness area and for rather special recreational uses



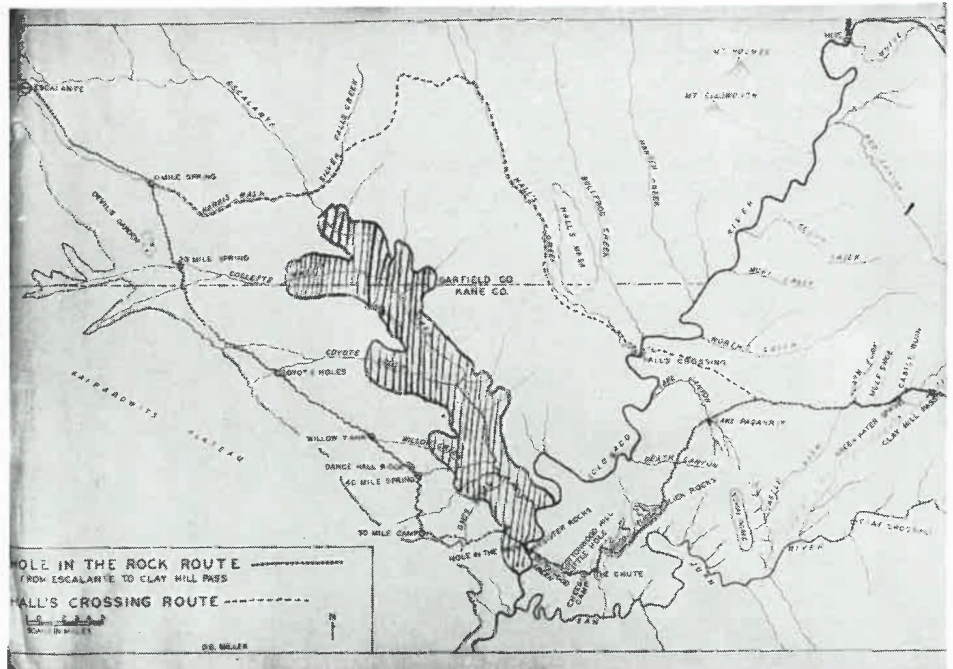
Coyote Bridge from the east. Note tiny figure of man in close right center foreground.

during most of the year, is highly desirable. Aside from the great scenic attraction of the area, it is of scientific anthropological importance and as such deserves

preservation and a certain amount of display for those interested in off-the-track recreation and education.

Area

The area with which this tour is concerned lies in the lower reaches of the main channel of the Escalante River in



General area of Escalante Canyon covered by story. Line at bottom of cut is Arizona-Utah boundary. Right margin of cut is Utah-Colorado boundary. Shaded portion shows Escalante River Canyon that is proposed for state park. The Escalante Wash and Escalante Desert are perhaps the least known and least explored portions of the entire west. The canyon is wild, rugged, deep, narrow, with knife-sharp escarpments and remarkable natural bridges and arches. This is the area under consideration for a Sons of Utah Pioneers selective trek that will undoubtedly be taken in early September of this year.

the shaded area on the map as shown. The general location is shown and the relation of this area to the nearest settlements, Escalante and Boulder, is also indicated.

Tour

It is suggested that the inspection tour can be initiated either (1) at the point where Harris Wash enters the Escalante River and go on down to the mouth of the river or (2) alternately and shorter, it could begin at the mouth of Coyote Gulch.

Being better informed on Coyote Gulch and the river downstream from the mouth of Coyote, I recommend the Coyote Gulch entry and the following tour:

1. It will be necessary go by auto to Willow Tank.
2. At Willow Tank, the party would shift to saddle horses and pack animals and ride slightly northeastward down Hurricane Gulch to its union with Coyote Gulch. On this trip it

would be possible to see and inspect and photograph Lobo Arch, Coyote Bridge, and Jughandle Arch. There are several archaeological sites in the vicinity of Coyote Bridge which could be visited.

3. Camp for the first night could be made in Escalante Canyon opposite the mouth of Coyote Gulch. Steven's Arch, highly photogenic and

very impressive, is visible from this camping place.

4. On the second day the party would proceed down the Escalante River. The number of items which could be seen and photographed would depend entirely, of course, on the speed at which the party wished to move. From the mouth of Coyote Gulch to the trail which leads out of the canyon at the gaging station there are numerous items of interest of which the Escalante River itself, deep and narrow, is not the least.

- (a) Fence Canyon is very worthwhile. It is beautiful and well-watered. Two archeologic sites can be inspected there.
- (b) In Escalante Canyon itself downstream from Fence Creek there are well-preserved prehistoric houses visible from the floor of the canyon.

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National Encampment of Sons Set for Cedar City August 8, 9, 10. Three Chapters to Host 800

President Carl J. Christensen and your editor met in Cedar City last month with President I. L. Riddle and his entire executive board of the big Cedar City Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers and were thoroughly briefed on Encampment Plans for August.

The Cedar City boys bid for the Convention in the annual meeting of the Society last year and won it. They now plan to make this year's event so fabulous and fantastic with interest and fun that the entire membership will date time from the event for years to come.

Dixie Mission Chapter at St. George,

bors. Make this a vacation in Utah's Scenic Wonderland. It is also rumored that any one appearing at the Encampment in anything other than Western dress will be immediately ducked in the watering trough. So fellers, wear your high-heel boots, your tight-fittin' ridin' pants, your fancy western shirts an' your ten-gallon Stetsons. Gals come in colorful calico dresses and western blouses, colorful ridin' neckerchiefs an' scarfs, and Indian jewelry.

Grampas bring your fiddles, harmonicas an' squeeze-boxes, we're all goin' to do the dosey-do and cut some mighty fine



Officers of Cedar City Chapter, 1958: L. to r., Front — Clem Judd, Immediate Past President; Daniel B. Crawford, 1st Vice President; I. E. Riddle, President; Leland D. Heywood, 2nd Vice President. Rear—Alva Matheson, Judge Advocate; David L. Sargent, Chaplain; George A. Croft, Historian; Howard Dalley, Sec.-Treas.; John C. Robb, Director. According to President Riddle, the objectives of the new officers are: Increased Membership, Promotion of Biggest National Convention in History of SUP come this August, Intensify Effort to Obtain Funds and Backing for Restoration of Cedar City's Pioneer Iron Works, Organize and Stage a Trek to Some Historic Site. Cries President Riddle: 'To your oars, men — Full speed ahead.'

also Little Salt Lake Chapter at Parowan, have been asked to assume an equal responsibility as host chapters. They have enthusiastically accepted and are getting up a full head of steam. Renewed membership drives are being pushed by each chapter, their individual goals being to sign up 50 per cent of the entire male population of Washington and Iron Counties before July 31st. (We believe they'll get this membership, too, if every current member gets off his aspidistra and really does something about it.)

The dates have been set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 8, 9, 10.

The place: Cedar City, Irontown, Mountain Meadows, Old Fort Harmony, Cedar Breaks.

This year members are urged to bring the entire family and half their neigh-

bors under the desert moon. Oh! . . . an' don't forget to bring your appetite.

Program as it now stands looks something like this:

FRIDAY: August 8 — Arrive and register. Get bunked down and washed up. Meet at 2:00 p.m. and the caravan pulls out for MOUNTAIN MEADOWS where Dr. William L. Palmer will relate the history of this lonesome but beautiful grassy valley that sits athwart the old Spanish Trail.

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- (c) At Soda Gulch we have Gregory Natural Bridge and archeological sites near the mouth of the canyon.
 - (d) In Davis Gulch are two arches, Moki Window and Nemo Arch and several archeological sites, one of which has been excavated.
5. It would be necessary to leave Escalante Canyon by way of the trail up to the trailer from the gaging station. It is possible for four-wheel



Cruel sand lies deep between the slick rock outcroppings and Soda Ranch. Only four-wheel drive vehicles have a ghost of a chance.

drive vehicles to reach the trailer and the party could be taken from the trailer back to Escalante by jeep in something less than a day. I would presume that the entire trip could be made in five or six days.

In order to assess the ultimate potential of the area, it may be that the party should enter at Harris Wash and move rather briskly down to where the scenery becomes more spectacular. It must be realized that even though the lower portion



Lobo Arch in Coyote Gulch seen from the West.

of the Escalante River Canyon will be drowned, most of the attractions of the side canyons will not be jeopardized but will, on the contrary, be thrown into easy access by water transportation. Hence, not much scenery will be lost. The high vertical cliffs of the Escalante will remain and many of the now difficult side canyons will be made readily accessible. Preserving the entire area drainage from Harris Wash down to the river as a park seems worthy of consideration.

Time

Because of the danger of high water in



Nemo Arch in Davis Gulch from the East.

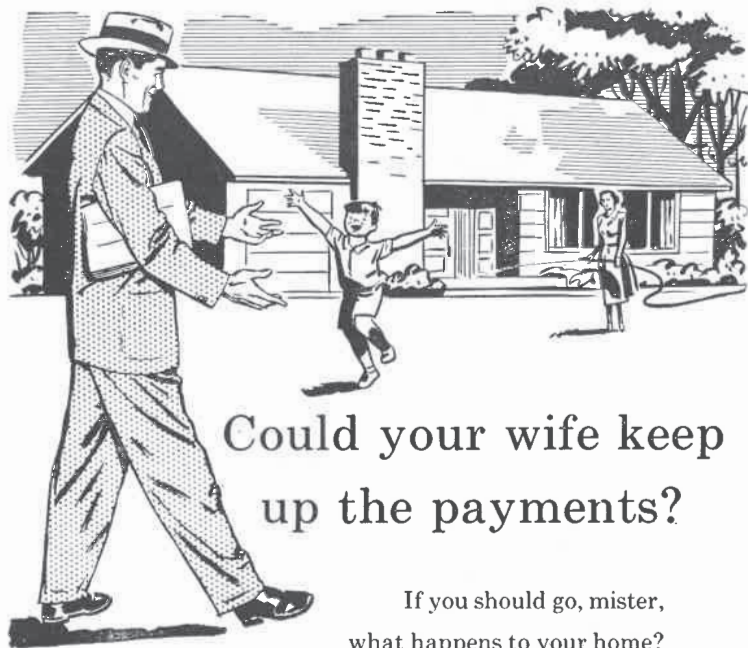
the spring months and because of excessive heat in the summer months the trip should be set either for early April or late September. There is danger of

flood through May or June as the snows melt in Boulder Mountain and the terrain drained by the Escalante River. The September date seems to me more practical; local advice should be sought on this matter.

Facilities Required

It will be necessary to transport the party to the point of entry chosen, either Harris Wash or Coyote Gulch. Jeeps probably would be best for this. Although I strongly recommend that all members of the party be mounted it may be decided to make the trip on foot, in which case only sufficient horses for

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Vice President Bartlett Boder of Pony Express Centennial Association Reports Missouri Activity

(Editor's Note: Mr. Bartlett Boder has forwarded the following story published by the *St. Joseph Gazette* which illustrates the dynamic personal enthusiasm of two men (himself and Colonel Waddell Smith) in bringing about an eight-state sponsored national celebration of the fabled Pony Express run. Smith is Na-

bration is 'going to be a terrific affair.' On April 3, 1960, riders will leave St. Joseph and Sacramento, Calif., to rerun the Pony Express over its original route, Colonel Smith said. They will be carrying 20 pounds of mail each way and prob-



TALK OVER CENTENNIAL — Col. Waddell F. Smith (right), president of the National Pony Express Centennial Association, discusses plans of the centennial celebration scheduled for April 3, 1960. He talks with Bartlett Boder, St. Joseph historian and vice president from Missouri of the National Centennial Association. The Colonel, great-grandson of W. B. Waddell, a member of the firm that originated and owned the Pony Express, stopped off in St. Joseph, Mo., to talk over extensive plans for the centennial. A retired Air Force officer, he was on his way to Monte Carlo, where he will compete in skeet shooting matches in February. (Photo by Bill Bennett of *St. Joseph Gazette*.)

tional President of the Association and Mr. Boder is one of the seven National Vice Presidents. There is also a vice president for Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada.)

Enthusiasm for the centennial observance of the Pony Express is growing rapidly in the various states that will participate in the event.

That was the observation last night of Col. Waddell F. Smith, president of the National Pony Express Centennial Association. Colonel Smith is the great-grandson of W. B. Waddell, a member of the firm of Russell, Majors and Waddell, that originated and owned the Pony Express.

Colonel Smith stopped over in St. Joseph last night on his way to Monte Carlo where he will compete in Olympic skeet shooting matches next month. He visited with Bartlett Boder, St. Joseph historian and vice-president from Missouri of the national centennial association.

'A Terrific Affair'

Colonel Smith, a retired air force officer, said last night the centennial cele-

bration will complete the 1966-mile trip in ten days, or less, he stated.

There will be quite a lot of pageantry all along the way since each of the eight states participating will work out its own plans for the celebration.

We know there will be a centennial postage stamp issued, and there probably will be centennial Pony Express silver dollars,' Colonel Smith said. 'We expect it to be one of the biggest centennial celebrations in the history of our country.'

On June 15, 1959, Colonel Smith is planning to leave St. Joseph on horseback and travel to Sacramento over the original Pony Express route. He said he plans to travel about 35 miles a day, stopping at all the stations along the way.

Leaves City Today

He said also he would visit with various committees and riders who will participate in the centennial celebration the following year. Colonel Smith said he probably would be accompanied by riders from various horseman associations on the trip.



INTERESTING REPORT FROM DIXIE MISSION'S PRESIDENT, HENRY GRAFF:

"The chapter had a nice year in 1957, its highlights being our treks and the work Scott Prisby is doing in locating old cemeteries and graves of early veterans. We held a Christmas Party at the Brigham Young

Home and invited our wives. Mary Lambert reviewed the life of her father in the November meeting. Three of our members have passed away since chartering the chapter two years ago, R. D. Adams, Joseph Thompson and Walter Cannon. We have reduced our chapter dues from \$5 to \$2.50 and have several new prospective members. The roof of the Brigham Young Home (in which we meet) is in bad repair and leaks considerably. The Battalion has been rather disappointing. We got all hopped up in November, 1956, and that's about the last we've heard. We understand they wanted a representative from each chapter to go with the Battalion to Los Angeles when the monument is dedicated. We have about 17 in this area. Our platoon failed to materialize. I was in Orderville in December and found a very rich area there for a chapter. Several original Battalion members are buried in that area. We may make a trek out there this summer. Several towns are together, Mt. Carmel, Orderville, and Glendale. I feel they would support a chapter."

OUR GOOD FRIEND AND TREKKER AARON U. MERRILL OF LAYTON

WRITES: "Talked with Frank Hickenlooper this morning and we both feel the time is right to launch a chapter of SUP in Layton. These fellows could help: Elias Dawson, George Woodland, Arthur Bulkley, Henry D. Call, Dell Adams, Jabez Adams, Norman Pitt. Also Marian Allen of Clearfield, William Wilcox of Syracuse, and Darvel Miller of Kaysville. This Frank Hickenlooper is a real live wire."

KEITH PETERSON, PRESIDENT OF SOUTH COTTONWOOD CHAPTER, REPORTS:

"Dr. David E. Miller of the University of Utah gave us an excellent story with slides, on the 'Hole in the Rock' expedition of 1879-80 at our November meeting. Our Christmas party was held

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Colonel Waddell F. Smith Joins National Society, SUP

The National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, is delighted to welcome as its newest member, Colonel Waddell F. Smith of San Rafael, California. Colonel Smith is president of the National Pony Express Centennial Association; vice president of the Overland Pony Express Trail Association of Placerville (Hangingtown) California, and a director of the California State Historical Society.

His grandfather, John W. Waddell traveled with a gold prospecting and mining party through Utah in the spring of 1852 and then continued on to California, remaining for only a few months and then returned to Utah, moving on soon after to his home in Missouri.

His great-grandfather, William B. Waddell, was the third member of the famous firm of Russell, Majors and Waddell that originated and operated the Pony Express. Years previous to the Pony Express the firm was engaged in contract freighting for the United States Army throughout the west and in particular throughout Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Nevada and California. The wagon trains that supplied Johnston's Army were owned by the firm. It was their wagons that were burned by Lott Smith at the Big Sandy. Great-grandfather

Waddell was in Utah on countless occasions and for indeterminate periods of time. He transacted considerable business with banking and mercantile houses of Great Salt Lake City.

Currently, Colonel Smith is with the American team in Monte Carlo, Monaco, for the International Spanish Pigeon Shoot and will, later this year, participate in an international match in Moscow. He took the second place gold medal at the Monte Carlo match last year.

During World War II, Colonel Smith was on the staff of General Hap Arnold and traveled by military planes all over the world in line with insurance, survivor's benefits, and personnel business. Because of his expert skill as a marksman, particularly his uncanny ability to "lead a moving target" he voluntarily always took his post as a gunner on the plane and as a result was in countless engagements, but modestly refuses to talk much about them, though he wears the purple heart and considerable medals with stars and palms.

The National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, welcomes Colonel Smith, and welcomes all other men throughout the world, wherever they are, who have an ancestor that was born in Utah or who came to Utah before the driving of the golden spike, May 10, 1869.

came to Utah in 1862. A doctor, surgeon, midwife and nurse for thirty years. In storm or sunshine during the bleakest winters or the darkest night with lit-



Mary Heathman Smith Monument

tle or no remuneration, she attended the people of Ogden Valley with a courage and faithfulness unexcelled, in addition to raising her own family of nine. Under her skill and attention she brought into the world more than 1500 babies. She died in Huntsville, Utah, December 15, 1895.

This monument was erected by the Daughters of Ogden Valley, October 30, 1937. The Mary Jane Dilworth Hammond monument was erected by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

Huntsville, Small Town With Great Appreciation

By Dr. Walter A. Kerr

The little settlement of Huntsville, Utah, is probably the only community in the country which honors *two* women with monuments of granite. These wom-



Mary Jane Dilworth Hammond Monument

en are Mary Jane Dilworth Hammond and Mary Heathman Smith.

The monument erected in memory of Mary Jane Dilworth Hammond stands in front of the public school building and is engraved as follows:

In honor of Mrs. Mary Jane Dilworth Hammond. Taught first school in Salt Lake City, October 1847. Came to Huntsville with her husband, Bishop Francis A. Hammond, 1865, where she resided until her death, 1877.

Her grave was the first grave in the Huntsville cemetery now located on a lovely peninsula jutting out in the Pine View reservoir.

The monument erected in memory of Mary Heathman Smith stands in the public park across the road from the Hammond monument. The engraving reads as follows:

In memory of Mary Heathman Smith, lovingly known as Granny Smith. Born in England, January 21, 1818, where she was trained in a Maternity Hospital. She

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packing of personal gear and food, and a wrangler for the pack train, will be necessary. Personal gear should be held at a minimum; suitable clothing, a sleeping bag, minimum toiletries, and proper shoes, preferably tennis shoes. Walking down the canyon inevitably leads to wet feet in many places where it is impossible to avoid splashing through the river.



Crossing Escalante River, miles from nowhere.

Leather shoes disintegrate and fail to dry out so new tennis shoes are urgently recommended for the walking trip.

Cost

Horses cost \$2 per day, wranglers are normally paid \$12 per day, so the cost could be readily figured. Food costs would

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not be excessive. Everything required can be purchased in Escalante.

Local Arrangements

Because the initial proposal for the establishment of "Hole-in-the-Rock State Park" in this area came from the *Escalante Chapter of the Sons of the Utah*



Jug-Handle Arch, Coyote Gulch.

Pioneers, I would presume that all local arrangements ought to be turned over to that organization. Local people could arrange for food, vehicles, horses and competent guide service.

If the department of anthropology, University of Utah, has parties in the area at the time of the excursion, jeeps could be made available by that department. Possibly some members of the staff could participate in the trip.

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real Indian program including genuine Indian Dances by the Cedar City band of Piute Indians. William H. Manning, President of the Piute Indian Branch, will be on hand to explain and relate much Indian history and folklore.

SATURDAY: August 9 — Special morning session for the men. Special speakers will be flown in to address the Convention (and let's call it a "convention" instead of "encampment," which



To today's children, such a picture as this suggests a TV western, but to some Utah old-timers it will bring to memory a time when Indian encampments were to be seen frequently outside Utah communities.

Folks in Coalville, from where this picture came, are likely to recall an exciting episode in the early history of their town, when a band of hungry Utes moved in to demand food. Such was the tone of their chief that it appeared a fight might occur, and the whole tribe, congregated on Main Street, seemed ominously ready.

But Bishop W. W. Cluff was equal to the crisis. Unarmed, he advanced toward the war-painted and tomahawk-equipped chief. The savage was impressed. "Heap brave man, heap brave man," he acknowledged, and laid down his weapon. Bishop Cluff then assured him that the whites had no desire to see the Indians starve. An oxen was turned over to the Indians, who according to the tradition killed it on the spot and consumed almost all of it raw. And the crisis passed.

Our picture shows the Indian camp on the bluff just east of Coalville, the exact site of the present North Summit High School. Everything the Indians owned was with them in this camp.

(Editor's note: We are indebted to Tom E. Moore of Coalville for photograph and historical notes.)

sounds too much like the G.A.R. or the old Black Hawk War Veterans. I personally feel too old anyway without being reminded of it.)

Ladies will meet separately to hear President William R. Manning tell about the Piute Indians. At 2:00 p.m. the ladies will take a tour of Cedar City, stopping at many intensely interesting historic sites.

Men will hold elections and annual

business meeting in the afternoon. At 4:00 p.m. everyone will assemble for trip to Old Fort Harmony where the President's Banquet will be held.

SUNDAY: August 10 — Breakfast at Hotel El Escalante. Then everyone drives up to Cedar Breaks for morning worship services. Special speaker will be flown in. After services Convention will ad-

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FORT LEMHI AND THE SALMON RIVER

(A Letter From Dell Adams)

Just came back from a fine 1200-mile trip; Mama, our oldest daughter Josie, and her daughter Christy. From Pocatello we visited the Craters of the Moon. Old Man Nature had some extra high-powered heat to do all the things he

and seven women called by Brigham Young on April 6, 1855, to convert the Indians to the Church and to teach them husbandry and peace.

The journey of this group took twenty-two days, covered 380 miles, required eleven wagons, forty-six oxen, seven



Stage of Idaho-Montana Stage Line, Charles E. Beach of Salmon, Idaho, driver. The line run was from Salmon to Red Rock, Montana, and led over Summit by way of Agency Creek. Photo was taken in 1907 showing the wheel pair in Montana and the swing and lead pairs in Idaho. Five changes were made on the run, three in Idaho and two in Montana. The 71-mile run required 12 hours. The fare, \$8.00, \$15 round trip. Beach received \$60 a month with room and board. Freight cost a cent a pound, or \$1 per cwt. A 52-gallon keg of whisky weighed 400 lbs. and shipped for \$4. Four changes of teamsters each day, going and coming. But the old-timers kept 'em rolling through high water, without bridges, over wet and terrible roads. Photo, courtesy Dell Adams.

did out in that desert with the lava rock.

From there we went up the Big Lost River to Mackey; soon we were in Challis on the beautiful Salmon River. That is one of the most beautiful drives—down to Salmon City. From there we went eighteen miles up the Lemhi River to the old Mormon Fort, established in 1855 by twenty-seven Mormon missionaries

horses. Over 100 Indians were converted to the Church.

In May of 1858 Brigham Young with a company of 142 arrived from Salt Lake City and gave approval of the mission.

Fort Lemhi consisted of a timber stockade sixteen rods square surrounding twenty-five cabins. An earthen wall of the same size was erected. Then the first irrigating ditch in the Northwest was built to irrigate the crops. About 100 feet of the earthen wall is still standing, but with no protection. In a few years it will fade away and be gone. Thus, one of the first settlements in Idaho will soon lose its identity. I agree with Mr. and Mrs. McHafey, the present owners of the ranch, that something should be done to preserve it. They report many visitors each year.

Due to the approach of Johnston's Army and the unrest among the Indians the fort was attacked. Three men were killed; five were wounded. As a result

the fort was abandoned and all members returned to Salt Lake.

Seems to me Salmon City would do well to capitalize on the pioneering of their valley by way of advertising.

Chief Tindoy, a very famous Indian chief (a friend of the whites) and his wife are buried near Fort Lemhi. The old cabin they lived in is in pretty good shape.

I would be glad to assist in preserving these relics.

(Editor's Note: The letter tells of an interesting conversation with Charles E. Beach, an early-day stage driver who drove from Salmon to Red Rock, Montana. Early road conditions and general problems of operating a stage line are described. See cut.)

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on December 13 and 39 turned out to break the jinx. We enclose our check covering three new memberships."

THE USUAL MONTHLY BULLETIN FROM SUGAR HOUSE CHAPTER NOTES ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Barr Fisher delivered a talk on astronomy at the January 27 meeting of the chapter. The chapter has encountered increased operation costs because (1) higher food costs, (2) rent on meeting place. Dues are raised to \$25 per year, or \$7 per quarter in advance. A directory of members is now in the make and members have been asked to complete and return a Directory Survey.

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO VICE PRESIDENT MARLON S. BATEMAN in the passing of his father, S. Wallace Bateman.

DENNIS MURPHY INFORMS US THE SALT LAKE LUNCHEON CLUB CHAPTER held its annual Sweethearts Valentine Party on the Roof Garden of the Hotel Utah, Monday evening, February 17. Details were not included.

NOSTALGIC LETTER FROM COLONEL HAROLD JENSON OF MORMON BATTALION:

"The ads and editorial matter of SUP News are always dripping with interest but the January issue with its institutional advertisement of the "Old Salt Lake Theater Pop-Corn Wagon" was something really special. How well I remember it when it stood on State Street on the east side of the historic old theater, near the 1st South curb. As a boy I

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journal and members will be free to spend time visiting Bryce Canyon, Zion Canyon or the North Rim of the Grand Canyon.

Members of SUP are warned now to place the dates of this convention on their calendars and to keep them in mind. Plan your vacations to permit your attendance. Tell your family about it now. Begin saving gas money and get everything in readiness. You will have a lot of fun and will accomplish a lot of important business.

worked for the Salt Lake Theater without pay in order that I could see the shows. I wasn't big enough to carry the "water trays" to slake patrons' thirsts between the acts, so I sold opera glasses at 25c rental and then sat back of the renter to make sure he did not abscond with my merchandise at the end of the show. Sometimes I had to watch two customers, and occasionally was really pulled apart by keeping my eyes on three. But it was worth it just to see the show. Later, at 14 I carried the water trays, filling up the common glasses as people drained the draught . . . and very seldom got a tip. Strangely enough, people never contracted disease or died from the germs this service must have broadcast . . . or did they? Still later I ushered for years and years (I'm like Jack Benny and not a day over 40) . . . always being too poor to buy tickets. (I was working for my father, Andrew Jensen, days, folding papers at 25c a week.) The big nightly thrill was always the same—going out to that old pop-corn wagon and squandering a nickel for a fragrant bag of that warm buttered corn. (Those were the days before margarine), and the sweet melted butter on those big flakes of hot salted corn was ambrosia of the gods. I could eat it and forget my fears of the dark while walking home. Sometimes—but all too seldom—a hot tamale and bottle of pop rounded out the sumptuous feast. While I stood in the kerosene light of the wagon, patrons would come from the theater between acts for a quick snack. The aristocrats (for in those dim yesterdays many came to the theater in evening dress—and I don't mean pajamas) mixed with the unwashed of the crowd who had debouched from the 35c seats in the third balcony. Everyone was on common ground at the pop-corn wagon . . . Like the faint phantom sweetness of perfume from a forgotten childish romance flats back through the years to haunt one with its tenderness, so did the carnival odor of that old wagon and its wares awaken long dead memories of youthful yesterdays when I saw the *SUP News* . . . and for this I am grateful."

AN OLD AND DEARLY LOVED PROFESSOR WHO TAUGHT AN EDITOR CIVIL ENGINEERING AT THE UNIVERSITY WRITES: "With all my heart I want to thank and congratulate *SUP News* on the excellence of the material it continues to publish. How in the world the *News* can collect the material and then present it in such an attractive and readable style astonishes beyond measure." (Ed Note: "Taint easy, Brother Richard. It astonishes us, too.")

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63. Merlin J. Shaw
64. Junius R. Tribe
65. Charles E. Ballard

* Deceased

THOMAS F. KIRKHAM 1882 — 1958

The National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, mourns the passing of Thomas F. Kirkham, Life Member of the Society, charter member of the Lehi Chapter, and ardent, active, enthusiastic worker in the Son's activities.

Tom was injured on January 8. He suffered severe head injuries and a leg fracture when he was struck by a car as he was riding his bicycle across U. S. Highway 91 in Lehi. He died at 12:15 a.m. Wednesday, January 15, in a Salt Lake hospital.

He was given first aid in Lehi, then treated at Utah Valley LDS Hospital in Provo and then transferred to the Salt Lake hospital for treatment.

Thomas F. Kirkham was born July 20, 1882, in Lehi, a son of George and Sara Russon Kirkham. He graduated from Brigham Young Academy business training in 1904 and had practiced accounting since.

He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and a high priest at the time of his death.

He was Lehi city recorder at the time of his death and was also Lehi Stake auditor. He served in the Elders Quorum presidency, secretary and later president of the 127th Quorum of Seventy, 20 years as Sunday School chorister, 40 years as Sunday School teacher, secretary of the Alpine Stake YMMIA and 27 years as Second Ward clerk.

He served on a mission to England in 1906 and later in Germany.

He was also a member of the Lehi Home Dramatic Club, Lehi Opera Co., charter member of the Lehi Lions Club, member of the Lehi Silver Band, Sons of Utah Pioneers Centennial caravan in 1947, and a member of the Mormon Battalion Trek in 1950. He was also chairman of the Lehi Centennial History Committee.

Mr. Kirkham married Margaret Jane Cavanagh on Nov. 3, 1909, in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Ezra Benson (Phyllis) Owen, Brigham City, and Mrs. Dean (Bonnie Jean) Peck, North Highland, Calif.; also eight grandchildren. Also the following brothers and sisters, Raymond L. Kirkham, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Leonard Fillerup, Los Angeles; Alvin Kirkham, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; Mrs. Eliza Crabb, Lehi; Mrs. Rachel Wannlass, Monroe; Mrs. Ruby Pack, Salt Lake City.

Honorary Citizen List For Pioneer Village Former Citizens of 1957 Renewing Status 1958



We are proud to publish the ever-growing list of Honorary Citizens of Pioneer Village who have renewed their financial support for 1958. These wonderful people are setting a splendid example for all our readers in suggesting that members do more than just "belonging"; that the job of preserving the rich historical collections of Pioneer Village are the responsibility of each of us, and that the project requires financial help. They have each donated, and pledged to donate, sums from \$25 to \$1000 each year.

These funds to be used in the general upkeep and maintenance of Pioneer Village.

YOUR DONATION is solicited. **YOUR** help is needed. **YOU** are invited to become an Honorary Citizen of Pioneer Village for 1958. Will you heed this appeal and give us a hand?

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BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER PLANS TREK

"Death Valley, here we come!" From the Brigham Young Chapter, Provo, comes this alert, to the scenery and citizens of the valley itself and to members of other S.U.P. chapters who may be interested in joining in a trek to beat all treks.

On Thursday, February 27, a motor cavalcade will leave Provo on a four-day swing through Nevada and California, which will take in Ely, Tonopah, Scotty's Castle, Furnace Creek, and all points of scenic and historic interest in Death Valley, and return via Las Vegas and Utah's Dixie. Block reservations and advance planning are cutting costs, and, of course, there's always the chance, while in Nevada, of recovering part of the expenses.

In addition to the professional guides who will assist the trekkers, Brigham Young Chapter's own LeRoy Hafen, one of the national authorities on Death Valley history, will be on hand. Plus S.U.P. Historian Gustive Larson and others who have soaked up Western lore over the years.

If you'd like to join this trek, get in touch immediately with Brigham Young Chapter President Jay B. Hunt, at the B.Y.U. in Provo, and he'll give you details. Incidentally, all of his friends will be happy to know that Jay is recovering

nicely from the accident which incapacitated him for a while earlier in the winter.

"National Night" Held

Brigham Young Chapter at Provo has joined the growing number of S.U.P. chapters which hold an annual "National Night." Wednesday, February 12, was the date of the gala event in the Joseph Smith Banquet Room on the B.Y.U. campus. A large group of Sons and their partners enjoyed pioneer grub and heard Professor James R. Clark give some interesting and little-known facts about "The Council of Fifty in Early Utah History."

Among those present were several solid citizens of Orem, who are taking up the Brigham Young Chapter's offer of assistance in establishing a new chapter in their rapidly growing city. There'll be a charter night coming up before long on the Orem bench, you can bet on it.

Distinguished guests at this Lincoln Day gathering also included:

President and Mrs. Carl J. Christensen; National Vice Presidents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl B. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Marlon S. Bateman and Dr. and Mrs. Richard D. Poll; Mr. and Mrs. Milton V. Backman (Judge Advocate), and Prof. Gustive and Virginia Larson (Historian).

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EAST MILL CREEK CHAPTER HEARD

Army Air Force Chaplain Joel R. Garrett talked on "Places in Early Church History" at the chapter's first meeting of the new year, held at Pioneer Village January 13. The chapter announced a new policy of a flat rate of \$2.00 for guests which will apply during 1958. New Treasurer Valorian Russell asks: If you have any instructions pertinent to the job of treasurer they would be gladly received. If there is a uniform system of accounting please advise. If you have a list of the members who were active on December 31, 1957, is it possible to obtain a copy? Are there any financial reports that are necessary to be transmitted to National? What are the National dues for renewal of 1958 memberships? Are Life Members subject to these dues? How can I find out who ARE Life Members?" (Editor's reply: (1) As a means of permitting chapters to help in a small way with



Could this be the Pony Express Rider known to the authors of Pony Express books as "Boston"? Photograph was taken by Barnhouse & Wheeler in Grand Junction, Colorado.

raising the \$25,000 annual upkeep budget for Pioneer Village, we charge a flat fee of \$25 each time a chapter uses the facilities of the Village for a chapter meeting. This fee should be paid the same night the Village is used or at least within the week. (2) Your letter assures us you are going to be one of the best treasurers in the Society; you will require very few instructions and we know that the few you receive will be followed. We congratulate you. Briefly, our suggestions are: Bill your members for membership dues thirty days before they become due. This gives members an opportunity to plan for the item. Then bill them again

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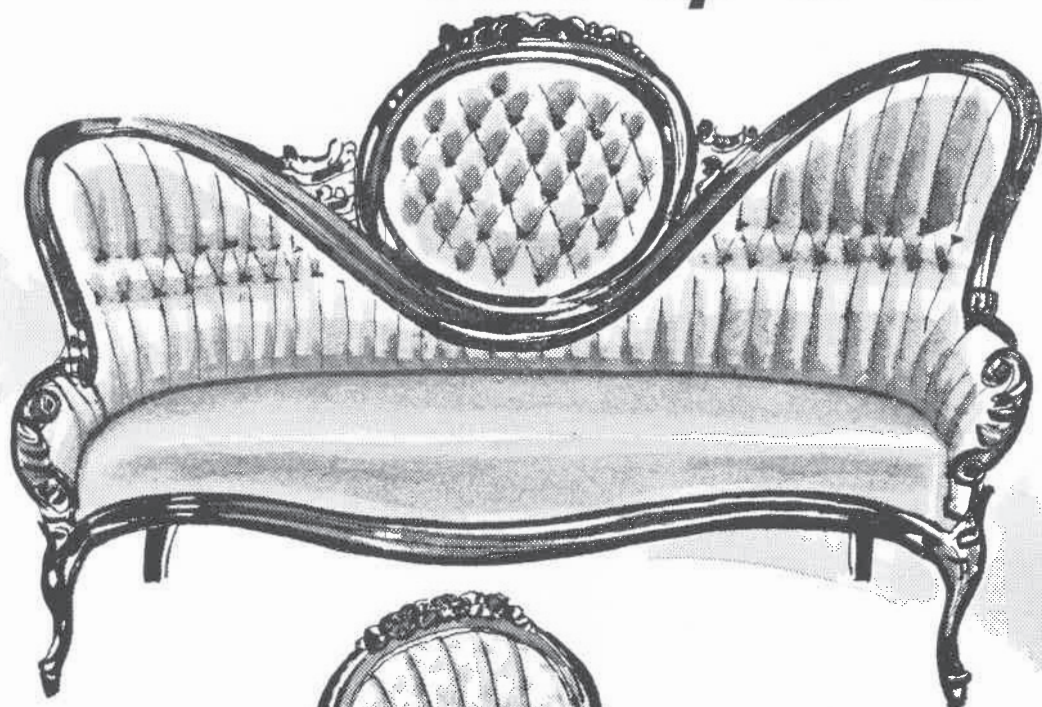
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Arnold Friberg's Western Art Exhibited, Pioneer Village

An exhibition of the Western Art of Utah's famous illustrator, Mr. Arnold Friberg, was presented to the public Sunday, February 16 and 23 at Pioneer Village.

Included in the treasure-trove of finished canvases and preliminary sketches and idea studies of the artist were such thrilling favorites as:

Lewis and Clark, *oil on illustration board*; Pioneers Fording the Kootenay, *water color*; Breaking Away, *oil on canvas*; the Mormon Pioneer Memorial Bridge, *oil on illustration board*; White Water Men, *oil on illustration board*.

Richard Ballantyne and the First Sunday School, *water color*; the Calgary Stage, *oil on canvas*; Jacob Hamblin and the Navajos, *oil on illustration board*; Richard Ballantyne, *oil on illustration board*; An Arizona Man, *water color*.

The Pioneer University, *pencil and water color*; the Liberty Bell, *oil on illustration board*; the Pioneer Sunday School, *oil on canvas*; the Queen's Watchdog, *oil on canvas*; Too Many Cooks, *oil on canvas*.

In the field of religious illustration, Arnold Friberg stands alone and unchallenged in the world today. His matchless paintings for Cecil B. DeMille's motion picture "The Ten Commandments," as well as his magnificent series of scenes from the Book of Mormon, have brought him international honors and acclaim.

Before entering the religious field, he had earned such an enviable place in the



Horse wrangler. Arnold Friberg.

field of Western painting that authorities have pronounced his work the most authentic since Charlie Russell. Reproductions of his Northwest Mounted Police pictures are as avidly collected as Currier and Ives prints.

Throughout his Arizona boyhood, the forest and desert burned into his memory the familiarity necessary to picture Western themes as well as events in Bible lands. Those who know the country are the first to recognize the authenticity of his work.

He has worked in the major cities of the country, but he has chosen to do his life's work in Utah, "where there is room for the legs to stretch and the spirit to grow."

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7 days before due date, again in three weeks, again in two weeks, and every two weeks thereafter until all are fully paid. This is the way you would run a successful business. Why should we do otherwise in SUP? (3) There exists at present no uniform system of accounting in SUP. It is long over-due, and urgently needed. Help us set it up. (4) A list of 1957 members of your chapter is in the mail. You are always welcome. This office could be of untold help to all chapter treasurers and secretaries. Why don't they ask? (5) No financial reports are necessary BUT WE DO URGE TREASURERS TO REMIT DUES — EITHER NEW MEMBERS OR RENEWALS — EVERY TWO WEEKS. Don't sit on collected dues. They never hatch. Some treasurers wait weeks and months to remit.



Can any reader identify these Pony Express riders? The only clue we have is that the picture was taken in Salt Lake City by Matson & Alseen.

Pony Express Museum Opened at Pioneer Village



Sunday, February 16, saw the opening of the Village's Pony Express Museum. Members of SUP's Howard Egan Pony Express Chapter acted as hosts and guides and escorted day-long crowds through the interesting collection of 1860-61 memorabilia and restorations.

They saw a chinked-log Pony Express Way-Station complete in every detail with bunks, cooking gear, saddles, firearms, and personal equipment of riders and hostlers.

They saw a growing display of tack, hobbles, bits, spurs, hackamores, saddle rigging, paintings, photographs, documents, maps, and a case full of trophies for western horsemanship.

It is expected the Pony Express Museum will grow in importance as the



Eight-State National Pony Express Centennial Association" gains momentum toward the actual re-running of the romantic trail twenty-four months from now.

This only causes confusion, misunderstanding and unnecessary difficulties. Send in collected dues in small amounts semi-monthly. (6) 1958 renewal dues are \$2.50 per member. 1958 dues for new members are \$5. Life members are not subject to National dues BUT THEY ARE SUBJECT TO CHAPTER DUES. We publish in this issue a list of all Life Members. Check it with your membership.)

NATIONAL SOCIETY EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO FAMILY OF ALEXIS B. MALAN, Ogden, Utah. Alexis, long-time valiant member of SUP, passed away December 18. His friends were legion.

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Tooele Bit and Spur Riders Fixing to Join SUP

Tooele's famous Bit and Spur Riding Club is fixing to join the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers as an official Pony Express Chapter and participate in the 1960 Pony Express Centennial Re-Run.

An initial organization meeting was held at the Bit and Spur Club House in Tooele on February 1st, when H. Ward McCarty, executive secretary of the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, met with the following:

Cal and Jean Farrington (Cal is a great-grandson of Heber C. Kimball, and wife Jean is secretary of the Bit and Spurs); Alma "Bish" White, president of the posse; Dale and Ruth Hardy, members; Clair Halvorson of KTUT; Dell White, member; Floyd White, Ellis Orme, member; Alfred Nelson, Lincoln, and Enos Stookey.

The history and background of SUP was explained as also its purposes and activities. It was pointed out that the Sons of Utah Pioneers are silent sponsors of

many worthwhile state projects, such as the creation of the Utah State Parks Commission and the acquisition of the old Carson Pony Express Hotel at Fairfield.

It was also pointed out that Riding Clubs all over the state are urged to join up with SUP and become official Pony Express Chapters. This does not change the regular identity of the riding club. It does not change the club's original name or its activities. The club does, however, gain a stake in the 1960 Rerunning of the 1966-mile Pony Express Trail from St. Joe, Missouri, to Sacramento, Calif.

An organization meeting is planned for later in February, at which time the Bit and Spurs will officially receive its new title as an SUP Pony Express Chapter.

The National Society hopes that Senator John W. Rowberry and President Alfred M. Nelson will spearhead the organization of an uptown SUP Luncheon Club chapter for Tooele. The city is large enough for these two chapters.

ern Barber Shop Quartet concert (in costume) featuring not less than 15 selected groups; (3) an evening of Western Square and Rounds Dancing under the mountain skies with kerosene lamps, old-time fiddlers and weathered, raw-boned



Dr. Everett L. Cooley, Utah State Archivist and Chairman in charge of local arrangements for combined conventions of American Association for State and Local History, and Society of American Archivists, to be held in Salt Lake City, August 17-20.

"callers," and (4) Mounted maneuvers by the crack Sons of Utah Pioneers famous "Bit & Spur" Pony Express Chapter in full regalia on their beautiful quarter-breds cutting fancy western sashays in the big arena of Pioneer Village.

Salt Lake City and Utah are favored this year by having been selected by these national organizations as the site of their annual conventions. This is the first time these organizations have chosen to meet in Utah, and the first time in recent years that they have met in the West.

This affords Westerners the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with national groups whose main purpose is the fostering of interest in local history and the preservation of that history

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Pioneer Village to Play Host to 750 Delegates. American Association for State and Local History Also Society of American Archivists, August 17-20

Horace A. Sorensen, Managing Director of Sons of Utah Pioneers' *Pioneer Village Museum*, has been named to Dr. Everett L. Cooley's Committee on Local Arrangements to host the combined conventions of the American Association for State and Local History, and The Society of American Archivists, which will meet in Salt Lake City August 17 to 20.

Arrangements are underway to roll out

the red plush carpet for some 750 accredited delegates to this Sagebrush Metropolis where the painstaking results of more than twenty years' collecting early Utah arts, crafts, and culture will be displayed.

High on the list of small details most apt to be remembered, are: (1) A famous Sons of Utah Pioneers Pit-Barbecued Buffalo, served smoking hot off the spit, au jus and a la Pioneer; (2) Genuine West-

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